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Honoring the sacrifice of members of the Armed Forces who are also mothers and the support provided by mothers of members of the Armed Forces and mothers who are the spouse of members of the Armed Forces.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ISRAEL submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Armed Services

RESOLUTION

Honoring the sacrifice of members of the Armed Forces who are also mothers and the support provided by mothers of members of the Armed Forces and mothers who are the spouse of members of the Armed Forces.

Whereas women comprise more than 15 percent of the United States Armed Forces;

Whereas almost 41 percent of the women serving in the Armed Forces have children, and this statistic includes members who are single mothers and mothers married to other members of the Armed Forces;

Whereas almost 213,000 female members of the Armed Forces have been deployed in Iraq or Afghanistan or elsewhere overseas in support of the Global War on Terror;

Whereas mothers who are married to members of the Armed Forces are left as the sole parent with the children during the overseas deployment of their spouse; and

Whereas the mothers of members of the Armed Forces provide emotional support and love to their children in uniform, especially when they are serving in harm's way: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) commends the service and honors the sacrifice of the approximately 147,000 members of the
3 Armed Forces who are also mothers;

5 (2) recognizes the support provided by mothers
6 of members of the Armed Forces and by mothers
7 who are the spouse of members of the Armed
8 Forces; and

9 (3) recognizes that Americans owe a tremendous debt for the service, patriotism, and fidelity of
10 military mothers, mothers of members of the Armed
11 Forces, and military spouses given their unique sacrifices and challenges in the service of the United
12 States.
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